

It took one man (he was from Ohio) four days to translate the crier's conundrum. By those who know what his business is, to-wit, to open Court, no effort was made to guess whether he is calling "oldrags" or "s-o-o-a-p." They let him wind up and run down, and then go to business. The result of a careful investigation showed that the call never varies. Like the cogs in a wheel, the worlds move in the same groove every time. When the Ohioan had finally wrestled the conundrum down he found it read as follows: "O ye, O ye, O ye, all persons having business before the honorable the Judge of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, now holding its criminal term, draw near and give your attendance. The Court is now open." — *Cour. Boston Star*.